A meeting of the Rhode Island Turnpike and Bridge Authority was held on Wednesday January 14, 2009 8:30 A.M. at the Jamestown Police Department Conference Room.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman David A. Darlington at 8:30 A.M.

Members Present:

David A. Darlington, Chairman

Michael P. Lewis

Stephen C. Waluk

William ("Chuck") Alves

Members Absent:

Richard P. Eannarino

Arthur H. Fletcher

Invited Guests:

Buddy Croft, Executive Director

Christine H. Callahan, CFO/Controller

Marianne Hillier, Director of Operations

Peter M. Janaros, P.E., Director of Engineering

Robert Moorehead, Chief of Maintenance

Jeannine T. Bourassa, Executive Assistant

Bernard A. Jackvony, Legal Counsel

Meredith Pickering, Fiscal Advisor

Edward Sherwood, Benchmark International, Inc.

Sam Bari, Jamestown Press

Item No. 2

Motion by Stephen C. Waluk, seconded by Michael P. Lewis, passed unanimously to approve the minutes of the December 10, 2008 meeting.

Item No. 3

Motion by Stephen C. Waluk, seconded by Michael P. Lewis, passed unanimously to approve: Pannone, Lopes & Devereaux, Legal Counsel

November & December Invoices \$19,971.76

Item No. 4

Motion by Stephen C. Waluk, seconded by Michael P.Lewis, passed unanimously to approve: Adler Pollock & Sheehan P.C., Legal Counsel

Invoice 359964 \$10,080.00

Item No. 5

Motion by Stephen C. Waluk, seconded by Michael P. Lewis, passed unanimously to approve: Nixon & Peabody – Legal Counsel Invoice 9036488 \$ 1,139.00

Item No. 6

Motion by Stephen C. Waluk, seconded by Michael P. Lewis, passed unanimously to ratify: Unicom – Newport/Pell Bridge

Invoice 10055782 \$ 6.701.00

Item No. 7

Motion by Stephen C. Waluk, seconded by Michael P. Lewis, passed unanimously to ratify: Wilbur Smith Associate – E-Z Pass Implementation

Invoice 530289 \$ 10,051.25

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Item No. 8

Motion by Stephen C. Waluk, seconded by Michael P. Lewis, passed unanimously to ratify: Mello Construction Co., Inc. – Newport/Pell Bridge

Invoice 26458 \$ 5,950.00

Item No. 9

Motion by Stephen C. Waluk, seconded by Michael P. Lewis, passed unanimously to ratify: TMC Services, Inc. – Mt. Hope Bridge Invoice 50835 \$374,363.31

Item No. 10

Motion by Stephen C. Waluk, seconded by Michael P. Lewis, passed unanimously to ratify: Cianbro Corporation – Mt. Hope Bridge

Tower Painting and Rehabilitation

Payment No. 18 \$781,439.38

Item No. 11

Motion by Stephen C. Waluk, seconded by Michael P. Lewis, passed unanimously to

Ratify: Telvent Caseta, Inc. - Newport/Pell Bridge

Invoice 899 \$ 59,111.00

Invoice 900 87,012.00

Invoice 901 210,219.00

\$356,342.00

Item No. 12

Director Lewis made a presentation to the Board regarding Governor Carcieri's

Blue Ribbon Panel on Transportation Funding Report and how it might impact

RITBA. The report identified the use of tolls on the interstate and the potential transfer of the Sakonnet River Bridge to the Authority. It was noted that prior to

this potential happening a detailed toll and revenue study must be performed. The

Department of Transportation in recognizing the need for the

Authority to increase tolls to maintain the infrastructure of the Pell and Mount Hope Bridges

would like to partner with the Authority to undertake said toll study by supplying

50% of the funds.

Item No. 13

The Board approved the Lyon Settlement of \$30,000 at the Mount Hope Bridge.

Item No. 14

The Board approved the Telvent Plaza Maintenance extension.

Item No. 15

The Board gave approval for the Authority to purchase a Sander.

Item No. 16

The Board authorized use of Potential Sources of Funding from EDC for Alternative Sources of Energy.

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The Chairman in his remarks discussed the progress being made by the installation of E-Z Pass and commended the staff for their efforts.

Item No. 18

The Executive Director, Buddy Croft, made his report.

Item No. 19

CFO/Controller, Christine H. Callahan gave her report.

Item No. 20

Engineer's Report was given by Peter M. Janaros, P.E.

Item No 21

The Board suspended the regular board meeting to convene an Executive Session which was called to order at 10:02 A.M. in accordance with Rhode Island's Open Meeting Law, R.I.G.L. 42-26-5(a)(1), (2), (3) and (5) upon motion made by Stephen C. Waluk and seconded by Michael P. Lewis. All Board members voted aye.

Stephan C. Waluk made a motion, seconded by Michael P. Lewis, approved by a unanimous vote to come out of Executive Session and to seal the minutes.

The Executive Session ended at 10:40 A.M.

Buddy Croft Secretary